

## **Electronic Data Interchange Advisory**

**October 20, 2005**

### ***NWCC EDI maintenance completed***

Effective October 20, 2005, the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Court has completed its EDI maintenance and resumed production. We would once again like to thank our Trading Partners for their patience during our software update.

## **Electronic Data Interchange Advisory**

**October 13, 2005**

### ***NWCC to perform EDI maintenance beginning October 19, 2005***

Beginning **October 19, 2005**, the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Court will temporarily suspend EDI production for up to three (3) business days to perform general maintenance on its EDI software.

Trading partners should continue to submit claims information as usual. We will hold the claims information until production has resumed. We will send another EDI Advisory to notify trading partners when maintenance is completed and production has resumed.

We apologize for this inconvenience and thank you for your patience in this matter.

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**September 15, 2005**

## ***NWCC to implement electronic filing of Proof of Coverage information on December 15, 2005***

Effective **December 15, 2005**, the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Court will require Proof of Coverage information to be filed electronically using the IAIABC Release 2.1 Proof of Coverage standards. The court will accept the electronic filing of Proof of Coverage (EDI POC) information from insurance companies, either directly with the court or by way of court-certified vendors. Currently the court has certified and approved NCCI and ISO to file EDI POC information.

Please continue to watch for future EDI Advisories on each of these issues. If you have further questions please contact the court's EDI POC Business Contact, Allen Kassebaum, at 800-599-5155.

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**September 1, 2005**

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## ***Extension granted for new Cause of Injury codes***

In the December 10, 2004 EDI Advisory, we indicated that the following new Cause of Injury codes had been added.

88. Natural Disasters

91. Mold

96. Terrorism

However, we failed to give the usual 90-day implementation notice. Therefore, the court will now grant a 90-day extension (until November 1, 2005) for implementation of these codes.

## ***New edits added to prevent out-of-order or incorrect filings***

Whenever possible, advance notice of at least 90 days will be given for trading partners to implement EDI data element changes. Effective November 1, 2005, edits that have been specified in the Edit Matrix will no longer allow the following sequencing scenarios to occur:

1. An Initial Payment (IP) or Semi-Annual (SA) will no longer be accepted following an Acquired/Unallocated (AU).
2. An Acquired Payment (AP) will no longer be accepted after an Original (00).
3. Indemnity Benefits will no longer be accepted on a First Non-Indemnity Payment (PY), as this interferes with transaction sequencing and it is not an R1 standard.
4. A Final (FN) will not be accepted without a prior IP, AP or PY being received and accepted.

## ***NAICS Codes vs. SIC Codes***

The North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) has replaced the U.S. Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) system. NAICS was developed jointly by the U.S., Canada, and Mexico to provide new comparability in statistics about business activity across North America. For more information about NAICS, please visit the NAICS section of the U.S. Census Bureau Web site:

<http://www.census.gov/epcd/www/naics.html>

NAICS codes are optional at this time but could become mandatory at a future date.

Currently, the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Court discourages the use of Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) codes in filings. However, if necessary, the four-digit code followed by SC (e.g., 1111SC) may be used when submitting electronically.

## ***EDI staff contact information***

Effective immediately, EDI Project Manager, Bruce Mayfield, has a new email address:  
[bruce.mayfield@wcc.ne.gov](mailto:bruce.mayfield@wcc.ne.gov).

Also, our former Senior Computer Operator, Sandy White, is no longer with the court. Beth Garbers and Jamie Lillis now handle all EDI processing and are available to answer your questions. Their contact information is shown below.

- Beth Garbers: 402-471-8992 or 800-599-5155 (phone), beth.garbers@wcc.ne.gov (email).
- Jamie Lillis: 402-471-6457 or 800-599-5155 (phone), james.lillis@wcc.ne.gov (email).

### ***Amendments to FROI Implementation Guide***

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**Page 44, Event Table:** This table was updated to show that a Denial of Claim (04) can be filed as either an original or a change transaction.

### ***Amendments to SROI Implementation Guide***

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**Page 7, Payment Codes:** Code 240, Employer Paid, has been added with a note that it is only permissible on IPs, SAs and FNs.

Also, codes 524, Compromised Employer Paid, and 580, Compromised Employer's Liability, have been removed as they are not statutorily valid.

**Page 9, Permanent Impairment Part of Body Codes (DN 83):** The NWCC Permanent Impairment Part of Body Codes have been updated to include the following expanded IAIABC descriptions:

13(A through C). Ear

14(A through C). Eye(s)

36(A through P). Finger(s)

37(A through C). Thumb

57(A through G). Toes

58(A through C). Great Toe

**Page 14, Addendum to Event Table:** Description of Denial (04) has been clarified as follows: "Denial: used by the trading partner to indicate that the claims administrator denies the claim. A previous original report must have been filed. All mandatory fields and non-null required fields must be completed for transmission of the record. Please note that for purposes of first report filing, an Original Denial (04) can still be submitted without previously submitting an Original (00)."

Also, description of Reinstatement of Benefits (RB) has been clarified as follows: "Reinstatement of Benefits: To report that compensation benefits have been paid after a claim has been reported closed or final was submitted."

**Page 17, Payment/Adjustment Element Requirements Table:** Entry for P/A 240, Employer Paid, has been updated to read "Not Allowed on MTC FS."

**Page 21, Transaction Sequencing:** The following MTCs have been added to this table: Suspension of Jurisdiction Change (S8) and Upon Request (UR).

**Page 35: FAQs:** Two new Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) have been added:

**Q:** Do we have to send an FN on a closed claim if no dollars were reported?

**A:** No.

**Q:** How do you report death benefits for multiple payees?

**A:** Add the amounts together to create one row of benefit type 010 and report the number of dependents.